

WEATHER FORECAST:
Tomorrow Fair.

THE EVENING NEWS.

TEMPERATURE TODAY:
At 3 p. m., 46 degrees.

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Practical CHRISTMAS Presents!

Ladies fine cloaks; Ladies fine furs; Mens and Ladies ties, handkerchiefs, purses, and gloves; Mens suspenders, hose, shirts, mufflers; Ladies collars, shawls, belts and fascinators; rugs, table linens, dress patterns; waist patterns; Mens and Ladies slippers and juliaette and fine hosiery. You can here secure beautiful, practical Christmas presents which will be highly appreciated.

Let us serve you

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THE CHRISTMAS CHURCH FUNCTIONS FOR TONIGHT

The Presbyterians and Cumberland Presbyterians will have a union Christmas tree and entertainment at the church of the latter.

The Methodists will have an interesting Sunday school and Santa Claus program.

The two Baptist churches will join in a big Tree at the First church.

At the Christian church there will be a Christmas tree and delightful exercises by the children.

To Sell Surface.
South McAlester, I. T., Dec. 23.—At an adjourned mass meeting held here resolutions were adopted memorializing Congress to pass a law providing for the sale at public auction to the highest bidder the surface of segregated coal lands, other than those included within existing town sites, the lands to be sold in tracts of not less than ten nor more than six hundred and forty acres.

Big cut in watches at C. J. Warren & Co. 233-6t

CHICKASAWS REASSERT SOME OLD LAND CLAIMS

Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 23.—Before adjournment at Tishomingo, the Chickasaw legislature forced an important memorial asking that congress reimburse the Chickasaw tribe of Indians for the land which is now occupied by white settlers in the Kiowa and Comanche reservations, and which was formerly known as the western leased district. In 1885 an area of land was leased from the Chickasaw government. A portion of this land was paid for in 1893. The balance, it is claimed, has never been paid for.

There is some contention between the government and the Chickasaw nation over the matter and congress is asked to reimburse the Indians for the leased land district.

Government Wolf Hunts.
Lawton, Ok., Dec. 23.—In order to exterminate the "loafer," or lobo wolves which abound in such numbers in the Wichita Mountains as to be very destructive to small stock, Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture has instructed E. T. Morrissey, superintendent of the Wichita Forest Reserve, to institute a series of wolf hunts. The first of these big hunts will be held north of Lawton in the forest reserve of 40,000 acres on Jan. 2, and continue from month to month till all the wolves are killed. The department is looking toward the establishment of the Wichita Preserve, and consequently came this order.

CHRISTMAS Suggestions

- | FOR MEN | FOR LADIES |
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| Nice Umbrellas | Nice Parasol |
| Silk Scarfs, in Individual Boxes | Fancy Collars |
| Suspenders in Neat Patterns | Embroidered Handkerchiefs |
| Fancy Hosiery | Kid Gloves |
| Good Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs | Fancy Neck Ribbons |
| Eagle Shirts | Hand Bags |
| Neckties in Separate Boxes | Shirt Waists |
| Suit Cases | Furs |
| | Coats |
- FOR THE LITTLE FELLOWS
- Nice Fur Sets, Good Warm Gloves
Nice Knit Toques,
Dressy Shoes for Little men and women
and numerous other articles suitable for gifts.

Scott-Hoard Co

SAVED BURNING BREWERY WITH ITS OWN BEVERAGE

Oklahoma City, Ok., Dec. 23.—A fire yesterday consumed the contents of the Oklahoma Ice and Brewing Company's cold storage plant, entailing a loss of \$75,000. This plant was purchased last week by Adolphus Busch, the St. Louis brewer. Joseph D. Baumgartner, driver of a meat wagon, has been arrested on a warrant sworn out by H. Y. Thompson, manager of the brewery, on the charge of being the incendiary. He says he is innocent.

The fire started at 6 o'clock and burned eight hours, during which time the city furnished no water on account of repairs being made at the water works plant.

After the firemen had exhausted their chemicals and water furnished by the ice plant, they were instructed to attach a hose to the brewery. For more than one hour beer was forced upon the flames, flooding the building and vicinity for blocks. It is contended that should the question arise the city could be compelled to pay for the loss of the beer.

Mysterious Disappearance.
Friday morning at 8 o'clock Mr. G. W. Bickerstaff, who resides in North Ada, left his house, stating to Mrs. Bickerstaff that he would be back soon. He has not been seen or heard of since. When he departed he was afoot and wore no overcoat. Parties have followed his tracks to the creek, and it is reported that he was seen wandering along the banks of the creek.

It was rumored to some extent on the streets that Mr. Bickerstaff had absconded, having defrauded creditors. But his neighbor, Mr. S. R. Tolbert has investigated the records and says that such a report is absurd.

So, the disappearance of the man remains quite a mystery. Naturally his family are much distressed over the incident.

Indian curios at Sprague Bros. 222 tf.



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Five hundred of the latest up-to-date styles just received to select from. Fit guaranteed on every garment made in my shop. First class workmanship, my motto.

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Fancy Lump COAL!

Now is the season to place your orders for coal. We handle the South McAlester, Henryetta and Coalgate, Fancy Lump Coal and can fill your orders on shortest notice. Orders to be delivered same day must be received by 4 o'clock p. m.

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Capital Stock, - - - - - \$50,000.00
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Blanks Furnished and Remittances Made to the Government on Town Lots.

ADA, CHICKASAW NATION, IND. TER.

GOOD BLOOD FOR BAD
Rheumatism and Other Blood Diseases are Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.
"In the lead mines I was at work on my knees with my elbows pressed against rock walls, in dampness and extremes of cold," said Mr. J. G. Meukel, of 2975 Jackson avenue, Dubuque, Iowa, in describing his experience to a reporter, "and it is not surprising that I contracted rheumatism. For three years I had attacks affecting the joints of my ankles, knees and elbows. My ankles and knees became so swollen I could scarcely walk on uneven ground and a little pressure from a stone under my feet would cause me so much pain that I would nearly sink down. I was often obliged to lie in bed for several days at a time. My friends who were similarly troubled were getting no relief from doctors and I did not feel encouraged to throw money away for nothing. By chance I read the story of Robert Yates, of the Klauer Manufacturing Co., of Dubuque, who had a very bad case of rheumatism. I decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, the remedy he had used. In three or four weeks after beginning to use the pills, I was much better and in three months I was well. The swelling of the joints and the tenderness disappeared. I have had no return of the trouble. My whole family believe in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Both my sons use them. We consider them a household remedy that we are sure about."

What Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did for Mr. Meukel they are doing for hundreds of others. Every dose sends galloping through the veins, pure, strong, rich, red blood that strikes straight at the cause of all ill health. The new blood restores regularity, and braces all the organs for their special tasks. Get the genuine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at your druggists or direct from Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N.Y.

After a woman has had to cut her husband's finger nails on the right hand for him she begins to talk a great deal of the helplessness of the men.—Chicago News.

MILK CRUST ON BABY.
Lost All His Hair—Scratched Till Blood Ran—Grateful Mother Tells of His Cure by Cuticura for 75c.
"When our baby boy was three months old he had the milk crust very badly on his head, so that all the hair came out, and it itched so bad he would scratch until the blood ran. I got a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. I applied the Cuticura and put a thin cap on his head, and before I had used half of the box it was entirely cured, his hair commenced to grow out nicely again, and he has had no return of the trouble. (Signed) Mrs. H. P. Holmes, Ashland, Or."

A real fond mother doesn't know which worry is greater—that a rat may eat up the baby, or the cat she gets to keep the rat away may suck the baby's breath.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Endsley, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

The great need of the age seems to be neighbors who will not wait until they are mad to tell a woman her children need spanking.

Her Good Advice.
"I am often asked by friends what to do for skin troubles such as Eczema, Ringworm and similar afflictions. I always recommend Hunt's Cure. I consider it the surest remedy for itching troubles of any character, there is made."

Mrs. J. L. Hightower, Palmetto, La.
Twelve ships a week, on the average, are wrecked on the oceans of the world.

A girl should never say she is "going" with a fellow unless she has him measured for the harness.

Are You Tired, Nervous and Sleepless?
Nervousness and sleeplessness are usually due to the fact that the nerves are not fed on properly nourishing blood; they are starved nerves. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes pure, rich blood, and thereby the nerves are properly nourished and all the organs of the body are run smoothly as machinery which runs in oil. In this way you feel clean, strong and strenuous—you are toned up and invigorated, and you are good for a whole lot of physical or mental work. Best of all, the strength and increase in vitality and health are lasting.

The trouble with most tonics and medicines which have a large, booming sale for a short time, is that they are largely composed of alcohol holding the drugs in solution. This alcohol shrinks up the red blood corpuscles, and in the long run greatly injures the system. One may feel exhilarated and better for the time being, yet in the end weakened and with vitality decreased. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery contains no alcohol. Every bottle of it bears upon its wrapper *The Badge of Honesty*, in a full list of all its several ingredients. For the druggist to offer you something he claims is "just as good" is to insult your intelligence.

Every ingredient entering into the world-famous "Golden Medical Discovery" has the unanimous approval and endorsement of the leading medical authorities of all the several schools of practice. No other medicine sold through druggists for like purposes has any such endorsement.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" not only produces all the good effects to be obtained from the use of Golden Seal root, in all stomach, liver and bowel troubles, as in dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation, ulceration of stomach and bowels and kindred ailments, but the Golden Seal root used in its compound is greatly enhanced in its curative action by other ingredients such as Stone root, Black Cherry bark, Bloodroot, Mandrake root and chemically pure triple-refined glycerine.

"The Common Sense Medical Adviser," a semi-free paper covers on receipt of 21-cent stamps to pay the cost of mailing only. For 31 stamps the cloth-bound volume will be sent. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation, biliousness and headache.

OLD BOSTON TOLLHOUSE SOLD
One of Many Relics of Bygone Days—In Disuse Since 1858.
For the paltry sum of \$25 the old tollhouse, one of the many relics of bygone days in the city of Cambridge, which, during its existence has held probably many thousands of dollars, has been sold, says the Boston Transcript. The house stood for more than a century at the Cambridge end of the West Boston bridge, but during the last few years had been so badly in need of repairs that it was more of an eyesore than a thing to be admired as having been handed down by our forefathers.

The house had been in disuse since 1858, and from the appearance of it at the time of its demolition one might readily believe that no repairs had been made upon it since that time. It is probable that, so great was the rejoicing when the west Boston bridge was made a "free" bridge, there was no place in the hearts of Cambridge citizens for sentiment, and none arose in the hearts of their descendants to prompt them to preserve the old landmark. The toll house was first used when the West Boston bridge, known as the "great bridge," was completed in 1793. No person was allowed to pass over without first visiting the tollhouse to pay the pittance which was demanded of him. In 1803 Moses Hadley was made the toll collector, and continued in that capacity until 1858, when the bridge was made a "free" bridge.

A Mood.
It is good to strive against wind and rain, In the keen, sweet weather that autumn brings. The wild horse shakes not the drops from his mane, The wild bird flukes not the wet from her wings. In gladder fashion than I toss free, I am blown of shadow, of wrath, of blast— What time the winds on their heels Lure me to laughter, and friends with me. None can reach me to wound or cheer; Scum of weeping and scum of song— Neither may trouble me, I can hear, But the winds' loud laugh, and the sibilant, strong, Lull me to sleep of rain through the sapless weeds. O rare, dear days, ye are here again! I will woo ye as maidens are wooed of men, With oaths forgotten and broken creeds! Ye shall not lack for the sun's fierce shining— With the gold of my hair will I make ye glad. For your blown, red forests give no repining— How are my lips; will ye still be sad? Comfort ye, comfort ye, days of cloud, Days of shadow, of wrath, of blast— I who love ye am come at last, Laugh to welcome me! cry aloud!

For wild am I as thy winds and rains— Free to come and to go as they; Love's moon sways not the tides of my veins. There is no voice that can bid me stay, Out and away on the drenched, brown trail. Out to the great, glad heart of the year! Nothing to grieve for, nothing to fear; Fetterless, lawless, a maiden free!—Rebels, Sunday Herald.

A Rare Doubloon.
William D. Gebhard, a Schenectady county New Yorker, holding a position in the United States sub-treasury, owns a gold coin which comes very near having a history. It is a Portuguese doubloon of about the value of \$17, and is dated 1729. On one side it is inscribed "Johannes V. D. G. Port. et Alg. Rex." around a woman's head, and on the other is the coat of arms of Portugal. Its mintage mark is R, wherever that is. Its milling, or booking, instead of being of the modern design, is composed of a wreath, or chain, about the edge of the coin. It is, so far as the wear and tear of circulation are concerned, as new as it was in the year of its birth, for in that year it came into the hands of John Gebhard, burgomaster of Frankfort-on-the-Main, and for 176 years, six generations, it has remained in the family. The sturdy burgomaster bequeathed it to his posterity with the proviso that it should not be parted with except for bread. Thus far no Gebhard of that family has needed bread sufficiently to part with the heirloom.

Yellow Times.
"Ef dese oin't de funnies' times I eber see den I done gone blin," said Toot the other day.
"Wot's de mattah?" asked Mr. Hudson.
"Yaller," replied Toot; "dat's wot de mattah, Mr. Hudson. Eberyting yaller—les'wise dat's de onlies' color we vere 'bout dese days. People fightin' dey's yaller; pick up a paper, hit's yaller; man gits de fever, hit's yaller; see a nigger comin' down the street, he's yaller. Hit do beat mah time, Mistah Hudson—hit so' do!"
"An' dey's all evils, too," declared Mr. Hudson.
"Dey is," replied Toot; "an' yaller evils ter boot, an' look lak de whole worl's gittin' dat way, too. But lemme tell yo' dis, Mistah Hudson; right yere I tank de Lawd fo' bein' black, an', wot's mo', I's gwine ter stay black."—A. R. Holcombe in Judge.

Medicine Men Keep Secrets.
Bishop Hanlon of Uganda, in describing some of his experience in central Africa, said recently that though many of the medicine men had been converted, they could not be induced to divulge their confession so far as to divulge their undoubted valuable remedies for native disease. Some of the converted medicine women were not so reticent, but their revelations were generally worthless.

Ethiopian Revolution.
At the recent meeting of the German Colonial Congress in Berlin, Dr. Marensky, formerly a missionary in South Africa, said, in speaking of the negro propaganda of "Africa for the Africans," there was no doubt whatever that a great Ethiopian uprising would take place sooner or later in South Africa, menacing alike British, German and Portuguese authority.

OUR GROWTH IN FINANCE
United States Holds Two-Thirds of the Banking Power of the World.
With only a twentieth of the world's inhabitants, the United States has two-thirds (\$14,000,000,000) of the world's banking power (capital, surplus, deposits and circulation). Our ascendancy here has been obtained in the past two decades. Since 1890 the world's banking strength has grown 105 per cent, while that of the United States has expanded 170 per cent. Of the \$2,500,000,000 of the weekly average of the bank clearings of the ninety-three cities which make reports, New York contributes two-thirds. New York city's bank clearings average 25 per cent in excess of London's.

And the greater part of this stupendous banking growth in New York city and the United States in general has taken place within the easy recollection of thousands of persons who, in their various employments, are still actively at work. Contemplating the vast expansion which has given the United States a long lead over all other countries in manufactures and mining, which has placed American products in every market on the globe, which has built up in this country a railway system which comprises two-fifths of that of the entire earth, and which has increased the country's wealth from \$500,000,000 in Washington's days to \$110,000,000,000 in Roosevelt's, the American banker using the words of Aeneas, says: "All of this I saw, and part of this I was."—Leslie's Weekly.

C. F. Daly, passenger traffic manager of the New York Central, a west of Buffalo, and Warren Lynch, general passenger agent of the Big Four, were called to New York recently for conference with President Newman. A plan is said to be on foot to transfer Mr. Daly to New York as passenger traffic manager of the New York Central, to give Mr. Lynch the Chicago post, to retire George Daniels, general passenger agent of the New York Central, and to make H. J. Rhein, now general passenger agent of the Lake Erie and Western, general passenger agent of the Big Four. Mr. Daniels has confirmed the report as to his retirement. He will be made general advertising manager of the system.

Nickname of Coin.
The standard silver coins being used in the Philippines are known as "Conants," having been named for Charles A. Conant, who was sent to the islands to prepare a coinage system. The authorities in Washington objected to this nickname and directed that the coins should be known as Philippine currency. Before this order arrived they were universally called "Conants," and notwithstanding the official mandate the name has stuck.

Cures Blood, Skin Troubles, Cancer, Blood Poison, Greatest Blood Purifier Free.
If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scrofula, eczema, itching, risings and lumps, scabby, pimply skin, bone pains, catarrh, rheumatism, or any blood or skin disease, take Botox Blood Balm (R. B. B.) according to directions. Soon all sores, head aches and pains stop, the blood is made pure and rich, leaving the skin free from every eruption, and giving the rich glow of perfect health to the skin. At the same time, B. B. B. improves the digestion, cures dyspepsia, strengthens weak kidneys. Just the medicine for old people, as it gives them new, vigorous blood. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special free medical advice also sent in sealed letter. B. B. B. is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases of impure blood and skin disease, and cures after all else fails.

An Atchison woman is such a spendthrift that her friends are surprised that she has not succeeded in spending a gold tooth she has in her head.

Before going into a scheme that seems to promise great returns put away enough money to pay for a return ticket.

FROM PLANT TO CIGAR.
Frank P. Lewis has recently returned from a trip through the best tobacco sections, looking over the growing fields. He noted the best crops and engaged them, and will go later to watch the curing and packing of same. He also, while there, examined some of his large holdings of old tobacco and found this to be growing richer in quality every day. The Lewis Single Binder factory probably controls more fancy graded tobacco than any other cigar factory in the United States. Smokers of Single Binders have evidently learned this fact which accounts for the ever increasing demand. In spite of the fact that the factory sends out no traveling salesman to boom its good quality to the trade, the Single Binder Sales reached seven million last year and will exceed eight million in 1905. The Single Binder sells itself. For twenty-three months this factory has been behind its orders.—Herald-Transcript.

The average woman would rather have a husband who tells her all he hears than a house with seventeen closets.

Important to Mothers.
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*. In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Don't place too much confidence in a man's opinion of himself. The ass can make as much noise as the lion.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, cures wind colic. "Be a bottle."

To a hungry man a head of cabbage has a sweeter odor than a bunch of violets.

LIFE PARTNER OF PLAYWRIGHT.
Little Girl Who Started Him Toward Fame Shares Royalties.
Augustus Thomas, a playwright who enjoys a very great and very well deserved vogue at the present time, invariably shares his royalties with the person who first persuaded him to take up his profession, says Munsey's Magazine. Many years ago, in St. Louis, while sitting on his knee, a little girl told Mr. Thomas that she had just read a perfectly beautiful story in St. Nicholas. Mr. Thomas, very much interested, asked her to lend him the magazine. The story was Mrs. Francis Hodgson Burnett's "Editha's Burglar." Mr. Thomas dramatized it—or, rather, he used the characters of the little girl and the burglar, and out of the situation evolved a very sweet and charming little play of his own.

When "The Burglar," as he called it, was put upon the stage, its success was instantaneous. It proved the cornerstone of his artistic career, which has since produced such fine comedies as "Alabama," "In Mizoura," "Arizona," "The Earl of Pawtucket," "Mrs. Leffingwell's Boots," and "The Other Girl." Of course he has not been wholly exempt from failure. The prestige of "Alabama" and "Arizona" did not save him when he went a little farther down the list of states and wrote "Colorado," but few playwrights have been consistent in the quality of their work.

The little girl who unconsciously started him on the road to fame is now Mrs. Augustus Thomas.

"THIRD DEGREE" AN OUTRAGE.
Cleveland Journal Denounces Abuse of Power by Police.
The report that Cunliffe, the express company employee who stole \$101,000 in cash from his employers, has been put through what the police call the "third degree" in order to extort a confession from him again raises the question why the police are permitted to resort to such coercive measures whenever they see fit. To hear that Cunliffe, for example, was not permitted to rest, eat or sleep until he made the disclosures required of him suggests a Pekin prison rather than a Pittsburgh police station. It is worthy of remark, too, that the victim of this savagery is invariably a prisoner without money or friends. None of the "aristocracy of crime" is ever subjected to the "third degree." If the "third degree" should be applied to a thiefing bank president the whole country would be made to ring with the outrage and the "third degree" would become on the instant as extinct as the "boot" or the rack.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Right Out of His Mouth.
Miss May and Miss Evelyn Fisk, the daughters of Harvey Fisk, have established a fine dairy farm in New Jersey. Of these enterprising young ladies a Trenton woman said the other day:
"I am not surprised that they should have taken up dairy farming. They are always doing original things. They are very capable persons."
"The older Miss Fisk participated in some amateur theatricals that we had in Trenton some years ago. She was unable to rehearse much. She knew her part rather badly. And yet she did well. She was, you see, so clever."
"But the young man who played Roderick said to her at the end of the performance:
"By jove, you know, you did rather badly, didn't you?"
"Why I thought I got on famously!" Miss Fisk answered.
"But," said Roderick, "what on earth induced you to speak my lines in the third act? The best lines I had, too!"
"Well, you see, I had forgotten my own," said Miss Fisk. "I had to say something."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Opportunities.
Bill Simpkins never gets along, an' folks is real surprised— "A mighty smart young feller" is th' way th' world has sized up An' Bill's uncommon likeli, but he mately falls flat. 'Cause he's sot on chances th't he never kin git at.


I mind him talkin' mighty big o' things th't he c'd do. If he c'd sit away from yere an' put his ideas through: Y' see, this thing gits on his mind an' sorta keeps him down, 'Cause he misses chances th't come up right yere in town.

He seems t' have a special gift fer spotting every day. A golden opportunity, six hundred miles away; An' while he figgers millyuns in some fur-off promise-land, He overlooks th' chances th't is showin' right at hand.

An' now he kinder sets aroun' an' dreams o' findin' mines. He won't see nothin' in promotin' trolley lines. Er' cleanin' up a fortune here t' hum, but jes' lives off his dad. While o' Jed Hanks, th' butcher, needs a clerk, all-fired bad. Puck.

Tackled the Wrong Party.
During the National Civic Federation's convention in New York Samuel Gompers, apropos of a mistake, said:
"It might have been embarrassing—as embarrassing as the position of a young man of Toledo whom I heard about the other day.
"He had been calling now and then on a young Toledo lady, and one night as he sat in the parlor waiting for her to come down her mother entered the room instead and asked him in a grave, stern way what his intentions were.
"He turned very red and was about to stammer some incoherent reply when suddenly the young lady called down from the head of the stairs:
"Mamma, mamma, that is not the one."

JOYS OF MATERNITY
A WOMAN'S BEST HOPES REALIZED
Mrs. Potts Tells How Women Should Prepare for Motherhood
The darkest days of husband and wife are when they come to look forward to childless and lonely old age. Many a wife has found herself incapable of motherhood owing to a displacement of the womb or lack of strength in the generative organs.



Mrs. Anna Potts
Frequent backache and distressing pains, accompanied by offensive discharges and generally by irregular and scanty menstruation indicate a displacement or nerve degeneration of the womb and surrounding organs. The question, that troubles women is how can a woman who has some female trouble bear healthy children? Mrs. Anna Potts, of 510 Park Avenue, Hot Springs, Ark., writes: My Dear Mrs. Pinkham:— "During the early part of my married life I was delicate in health; both my husband and I were very anxious for a child to bless our home, but I had two miscarriages, and could not carry a child to maturity. A neighbor who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound advised me to try it. I did so and soon felt that I was growing stronger, my headaches and backaches left me, I had no more bearing-down pains, and felt like a new woman. Within a year I became the mother of a strong, healthy child, the joy of our home. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is certainly a splendid remedy, and I wish every woman who wants to become a mother would try it."

Actual sterility in woman is very rare. If any woman thinks she is sterile, let her try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free to expectant or would-be mothers.

A girl of sixteen always wants to do the things she will never let her daughter do when she has one of that age.

Try It Once.
There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

President Roosevelt has received twice the number of honorary degrees ever given any president. Two doctorates have been conferred upon him this year. His bachelor of arts was conferred upon him twenty-five years ago by Harvard. In addition he may now write after his name eight L. I. D.'s and one L. H. D. He is the first president to receive the latter degree.

Greatest Organ Offer Ever Made
Genuine **KIMBALL** At Factory Prices
On Payments, \$2.50 per Month and Upwards
ABSOLUTELY FREE use of the organ while you save the money. Little by little pay for it. SEND TODAY FOR OUR PLAN whereby you can save \$25 to \$50 on an organ and pay at your convenience. If you want an organ at all you want a good one, a mere forty case with no music in it will not do. Secure at once the old reliable Kimball Organ at Factory Prices and on Easy Payment plan, \$2.50 monthly and upwards. A fine stool and music book included free with every organ. We will send organs to reliable people anywhere in the United States to be paid for on our Easy Payment plan. You know the Kimball; for fifty years we have been manufacturing and selling Kimball organs. We own and operate the largest organ factory in the world and the fact that we trust you with an organ, pay for your leisure, is sufficient evidence that the Kimball is the best and highest class or we would not send them out in this way. This is the first offer of Kimball Organs direct to the people at FACTORY PRICES: it may be recalled any day, so don't put it off, but write for Free Catalogue and Money-saving plan.

KIMBALL SUPPLY DEPOT, Frederickson & Kroh, Mgrs. 201 Main Street, OKLAHOMA CITY

A FEW CUTTING REMARKS
The purpose of a saw is to cut. It should cut easily, cut cleanly, and cut with every movement. I prefer an Atkins Saw. Its blade is "Silver Steel," recognized the world over as the finest cuttable steel ever made in ancient or modern times. It is hard, close-grained and tough. It holds a sharp cutting edge longer than any other saw. Its blade tapers perfectly from thick to thin, from handle to tip. Thus it makes leeway for itself, runs easily and does not buckle. Its temper is perfect. When bent by a crooked thrust, it springs into shape without kinking. The Atkins saw cuts—and does it best, as we make all sizes and sizes of saws, but only one grade—the best.

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E. C. ATKINS & CO., Inc.
Largest Saw Manufacturers in the World.
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A West Virginian's Awful Distress Through Kidney Troubles.

W. L. Jackson, merchant, of Parkersburg, W. Va., says: "Driving about in bad weather brought kidney troubles on me, and I suffered 20 years with sharp, cramping pains in the back and urinary disorders. I often had to get up a dozen times at night to urinate. Retention set in, and I was obliged to use the catheter. I took to my bed, and the doctors failing to help, began using Doan's Kidney Pills. The urine soon came freely again, and the pain gradually disappeared. I have been cured eight years, and though over 70, am as active as a boy."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Overlooked an Important Point
The Skibbereen, Ireland, board of guardians has decided to place the chairs in the board room with substantial benches, but vetoed a suggestion to fasten them to the floor, after the clerk had pointed out that in that case they would be of no use in a fight.

Save Your Lungs.
Don't neglect that cough. One pair of lungs is all you'll ever have—treat them well. Simmons' Cough Syrup will soothe and strengthen them, stops the cough and gives you a chance to sleep in peace.

Poverty is often a blessing in disguise, but the trouble is that it so seldom unmasks.

FITS permanently cured. Nafits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 301 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

When a man begins to sneer at everything, senility is not far off.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, it is swollen, and the sound waves cannot pass. It is therefore necessary to treat the tube, and when it is treated, the hearing will be restored. We will give one hundred dollars for any case of deafness caused by catarrh, which cannot be cured by local applications. Send for circulars free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Concerning Rewards
"Every once in a while" said a traveling man at the Albany hotel this morning, "I hear or read of somebody who refused a reward for returning some article which had been lost, because the amount offered was small. The finder was usually insulted. That doesn't seem right to me. Why should anybody sneer at a reward? What right have we to expect any reward at all for our honesty? A few days ago, while walking down an Omaha street, I saw a man ahead of me drop a pocketbook. A messenger boy picked it up. Just then the man missed it and the boy returned it to him without looking inside. The man gave the boy a quarter. The boy accepted it but was disgusted. "Is that all I get for being honest?" he asked. "Yer a pretty cheap guy." "There's just \$3 in the pocketbook," said the man. "Well, you oughter gimme a dollar, anyway," the boy replied. "Had I been that man I'd have been sorely tempted to add a kick to the quarter," concluded the traveling man, "and there are lots and lots of people just like that boy in the world."—Denver Post.

A sermon is the longest distance between two points—namely, the point at which it begins and at which it leaves off.—Punch.

THE "COFFEE HEART."

It is as Dangerous as the Tobacco or Whisky Heart.

"Coffee heart" is common to many coffee users and is liable to send the owner to his or her long home if the drug is persisted in. You can run 30 or 40 yards and find out if your heart is troubled. A lady who was once a victim of the "coffee heart" writes from Oregon: "I have been a habitual user of coffee all my life and have suffered very much in recent years from ailments which I became satisfied were directly due to the poison in the beverage, such as torpid liver and indigestion, which in turn made my complexion blotchy and muddied. "Then my heart became affected. It would beat most rapidly just after I drank my coffee, and go below normal as the coffee effect wore off. Sometimes my pulse would go as high as 137 beats to the minute. My family were greatly alarmed at my condition and at last mother persuaded me to begin the use of Postum Food Coffee. "I gave up the old coffee entirely and absolutely, and made Postum my sole table beverage. This was six months ago, and all my ills, the indigestion, inactive liver and rickety heart action, have passed away, and my complexion has become clear and natural. The improvement set in very soon after I made the change, just as soon as the coffee poison had time to work out of my system. "My husband has also been greatly benefited by the use of Postum, and we find that a simple breakfast with Postum is as satisfying and more strengthening than the old heavier meal we used to have with the other kind of coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

PET WAS "JONAH" TO VESSEL

Pork Chops Sacrificed to Save the Salmon Packer From Loss.

The salmon packer McLauren arrived from Alaska this morning with a hard luck story to tell, having found out when too late the "Jonah" aboard that caused a light catch, several minor mishaps and finally almost a wreck from which the vessel escaped with the loss of her keelson. The cause of all this misfortune, her crew solemnly aver, was a pet pig, which was destined to supply chops and spare ribs on the homeward voyage. The good ship finally shook herself free from the hoodoo and made a fine run down the coast.

It happened in this way: Coming out of the roadstead at Nogashak, with only 6,200 cases aboard, owing to the porcine hoodoo, the ship ran onto a reef and seemed a hopeless loss. She rolled helplessly on the swell, the rock grinding cruelly at her hull. She gave one roll more distressing than the others, and presto! the pet pig went by the board with a banshee wail of despair and was seen no more. Immediately the ship righted herself and on the next wave slid off the reef, scraping her sides in the act. From that moment she acted like a new creature. Her crew were bawling the fact that the pig was not lost on the outbound trip. They figure the cost of having a Jonah aboard as several thousand dollars.—San Francisco Bulletin.

No Wonder She Didn't Care.
The little girls were sitting on the front porch counting "shooting" stars. "We had something last night that you didn't have," tauntingly remarked one of the older ones looking at 10-year-old Miss Muffet.

"Bet you didn't. What did you have?" remarked Miss Muffet. "Claret sody," the tantalizer replied with a condescending smile. "That's nothing," Miss Muffet vouchsafed with supreme confidence. "I had a chocolate sundae and five cents' worth of candy, and I ate all the candy myself."

"And when we came home," the older one continued, "we had some ice cream made in our own freezer." Miss Muffet paused a moment to think. Then she added with calm resignation: "Well, I don't care. I had the stomachic ache anyway."—Kansas City Star.

"Fighting Bob" Took Big Chances.
During the recent visit of the first division of the North Atlantic squadron to Portland plans for entertaining Read Admiral Evans and his officers were spoiled by the sudden indisposition of "Fighting Bob." A party of ladies were exploring the flagship under the guidance of a grizzled quartermaster, when one of them, referring to the awkward circumstances, remarked, inquiringly:

"I suppose you sailors are sorry that the admiral is sick?"

"Indeed we are, mum," said the quartermaster. "But," lowering his voice confidently, "we all knew the old man was in for it when we saw him sampling the grub that's served out to us fellows for'ard."

Count Witte Gave Gorki Liberty.

The mystery surrounding the release from jail of Maxim Gorki, who was arrested in St. Petersburg as a revolutionist, is cleared. The novelist owes his liberty to Count Witte, president of the council of ministers, who drew up a report in which the following passage occurs: "A severe sentence or a long imprisonment might deprive the world and Russia of a creative genius from whom great things may yet be expected. The unprecedented sympathy of which he is the object is a proof of the attention with which the intellectual world follows the development of Russia and of the regard which is felt for the Russian writer outside his own country."

Ira D. Sankey Writing Life History.

Hopelessly blind and confined to his bed at his home in Brooklyn, Ira D. Sankey, the famous evangelist, singer and partner of the late Dwight L. Moody, is putting into book form the story of his gospel experiences. The book will be called "Moody and Sankey and the Story of Their Gospel Hymns." Deprived of his sight and confined to his bed for the last six or seven months and living in the atmosphere of retrospection, the work of compiling the new book has been a joy to him. He dictates the songs and stories, brought back by memory, to his secretary and stenographer, who transcribes them.

What She Had Taken in Physics.

The following story is told by Dr. F., formerly superintendent of public schools in a Maine town: "A young girl came to the doctor, saying that she wished to enter the high school. She passed the entrance examinations successfully. Then the doctor asked, 'What have you taken in physics?' "Well," she replied, "I've never taken much in physics, but I've always heard that salts were about the best."

A Noisy Call.

"I'm afraid my popularity with Miss Goldleaf is nearing its finish." "Why so?" "I was there last night and she entertained me with the family graphophone."

By Way of Excuse.

Crawford—"What makes that senator so dishonest?" Crabshaw—"He says he is merely getting back the money it cost him to be elected."

Good Profit-Sharing Enterprise

The United States consul at Victoria, B. C., reports a scheme of profit-sharing, conducted by the British company operating the street railways and lighting plants in that section, which is working well. After paying 4 per cent on the stock the balance of net earnings is divided into three parts, two of which go to the stockholders and one to employees of more than a year in equal amounts to each—a track greaser receiving as much as goes to the general manager of the company in London. In 1903, the first year of trial, a sum equaling \$25 per employee was divided; the next year \$35, and for this year the division, which has just been made, amounts to \$40.

Wrote "Abide With Me"

It is sixty years since Rev. Henry Francis Lytle, who wrote the beautiful hymn, "Abide With Me," died at Nice, and this year a final effort is being made in the far distant little seaport in Devonshire, where he lived and ministered for twenty-five years, to complete the rebuilding of the little memorial church has taken the fishermen thirty years to build.

Generally the woman who is robbed of her husband's love wouldn't care so much if it were not for the triumph she thinks the other woman is having.

A man can make a very good living by marrying a rich wife.

Facts and Proof.

Hulett, Wyo., Dec. 4th (Special).—An ounce of fact is worth a ton of theory and it is evidence founded on facts that backs up every box of Dodd's Kidney Pills. The evidence of people who know what they do. Mrs. May Taber, highly esteemed resident of Hulett, says:

"I know Dodd's Kidney Pills are a valuable medicine because I have used them. I took seven boxes and they cured me of a severe attack of Kidney Trouble. They relieved me from the first dose, and when I had finished the last box I had no pain and my kidneys are now acting properly."

Dodd's Kidney Pills are now recognized all over the world as the greatest Kidney Remedy science has ever produced. They cure Rheumatism, Dropsy, Gout, Lumbago, Diabetes, Urinary and Bladder Troubles, Bright's Disease, and all disorders arising from any form of Kidney Disease.

Who get the good rooms at the hotels? I never had one. Are they like the drawing room in sleeping cars—never used?

GOVERNOR OF OREGON

Makes Use of His Family



CAPITOL BUILDING, SALEM, OREGON.

Peruna is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Letters of congratulation and commendation testifying to the merits of Peruna as a catarrh remedy are pouring in from every State in the Union. Dr. Hartman is receiving hundreds of such letters daily. All classes write these letters, from the highest to the lowest.

The outdoor laborer, the indoor artisan, the clerk, the editor, the statesman, the preacher—all agree that Peruna is the catarrh remedy of the age. The stage and rostrum, recognizing catarrh as their greatest enemy, are especially enthusiastic in their praise and testimony.

Any man who wishes perfect health must be entirely free from catarrh. Catarrh is well-nigh universal. Peruna is the best safeguard known.

Ask Your Druggist for Free Peruna Almanac for 1906.

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\$3.50 & \$3.00 SHOES FOR MEN

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W. L. DOUGLAS MAKES AND SELLS MORE MEN'S \$3.50 SHOES THAN ANY OTHER MANUFACTURER.

\$10,000 REWARD to anyone who can disprove this statement.

W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes have by their excellent style, easy fitting, and superior wearing qualities, achieved the largest sale of any \$3.50 shoe in the world. They are just as good as those that cost you \$5.00 to \$7.00—the only difference is the price. If I could take you into my factory at Brockton, Mass., the largest in the world under one roof making men's shoes, and show you the care with which every pair of Douglas shoes is made, you would realize why W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes are the best shoes produced in the world.

If I could show you the difference between the shoes made in my factory and those of other makes, you would understand why Douglas \$3.50 shoes cost more, to make, why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater intrinsic value than any other \$3.50 shoe on the market to-day.

W. L. Douglas Strong Made Shoes for Men, \$2.50, \$2.00, Boys' School & Dress Shoes, \$2.50, \$2, \$1.75, \$1.50. CAUTION.—Insist upon having W. L. Douglas shoes. Take no substitutes. None genuine without his name and price stamped on bottom.

WANTED. A shoe dealer in every town where W. L. Douglas shoes are not sold. Full line of samples sent free for inspection upon request. Fast Color Eyelets used; they will not wear brassy. Write for Illustrated Catalog of Fall Styles. W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

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FREE HOMESTEAD LANDS OF WESTERN CANADA.

Magnificent climate—farmers plowing in their shirt sleeves in the middle of November.

"All are bound to be more than pleased with the final results of the past season's harvest."—Extract.

Coal, wood, water, hay in abundance—schools, churches, markets convenient. This is the era of \$1.00 wheat.

Apply for information to Superintendent of Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to authorized Canadian Government Agent—J. S. Crawford, No. 125 W. Ninth Street, Kansas City, Missouri. (Mention this paper.)

FOR MEN

RIGEUR \$3.50

A Man Who Invests
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LARGEST FINE SHOE EXCLUSIVISTS
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NERVOUS?

Do you worry about nothing? Startle at trifles? Feel irritable, peevish, sad and blue? Suffer from neuralgia, sick headache, dizziness, backache, bearing-down pains? If so, your nerves are stretched to the snapping point, like the strings of a fiddle twisted up out of tune, which screeches at the least touch. You are in a dangerous condition of health and need a medicine to take the strain off your nerves. If you are a woman, what has overstrung you is probably disordered menstruality, which, in women, makes more trouble, pain and nerve sickness than any other single cause. The thing to do is to follow the example, being set daily by thousands of women, and take the good, old, reliable remedy for female disease, with a record of 70 years of success, in the cure of female diseases, viz:

WINE OF CARDUI Woman's Relief

Read This
"For five years I was so sick I could hardly walk across the floor, and was very weak and nervous," writes Miss Mattie Slusher, of Cambria, Va., "but after taking Cardui I found myself greatly relieved."

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ADA EVENING NEWS.

OFFICIAL CITY PAPER.

OTIS B. WEAVER & CO., - - - PUBLISHERS
M. D. S. EINER, - - - BUSINESS MANAGER

Entered as Second class matter March 26, 1904, at the Postoffice at Ada, Indian Territory, under the Act of Congress March 3, 1869.

Advertising rates furnished on application.

The News most cordially extends you Christmas greetings.

AFTER due deliberation we have concluded not to publish the paper next Monday. We think our readers can do without the News one day and let the force have a good time like other people. So, goodbye till Tuesday.

THE criminations and counter criminations among Indian Territory Republican politicians bids fair to make as nasty a tangle as the old disgusting spectacle in Oklahoma.

THERE were licensed to wed yesterday a young man aged eighteen and a young lady fifteen. Yet there are dozens of old boys and girls around Ada, nearly twice those ages, who scarcely have a matrimonial thought, much less a care. The action of those youngsters, what a rebuke it is to such old society fossils!

Much Marrying.

The U. S. Clerk's force is doing a kind of land office business in the way of marriage licenses. The boys are falling over each other after the precious papers. Deputy Constant is learning to tie an artistic knot. He married two couples today at high noon. One swain got his sentence to life imprisonment at the tender age of eighteen, four years younger than his bride. Naturally he was cowed some what and embarrassed a bit. The ordeal over, he departed rather precipitately, leaving his hat behind, and one of the boys had to come back for it.

Pays Death Penalty.

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 22.—A smile upon his lips, waving one hand in farewell to fellow-prisoners and the other clutching an ebony crucifix, and with no sign of fear of eternity, George H. Turner today paid the extreme penalty of the law for the brutal murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch.

Christmas Stockings

Hang up the Christmas stockings,
Leave not a dear one out,
And wake on Christmas morning
With ringing song and shout.
For in the silent midnight
Shall Santa Claus appear,
And crown with gifts of gladness
The love-time of the year.

Hang up the baby's stocking;
The cunning little elf
Is still too very tiny
To do it for herself.
And hang the mother's stocking
Oh, very plain in sight;
Some one must think for mother,
Or she'll forget it quite.

Hang father's sturdy stocking.
Right here between the boys;
And give him books and papers,
As he gives the children toys,
Let Santa Claus be careful
About the politics;
For father has a conscience
That to the right side sticks.

Hang up the old folks' stockings
Hang up the little girls';
Dear grandma with her silver hair
Sweet Flossy with her curls,
Will both be very happy
When dawn, in rosy cheer,
The Merry Christmas morning,
The love-time of the year.
—Ethel Bridges in Royal Neighbor.



Will Close Monday.

We, the undersigned merchants of Ada, I. T., agree to close our stores of business during the whole of Christmas day, it being a legal holiday. Witness our hands:

Moss & Scribner, A. L. Nettles, Evening News, W. A. Chitwood, Union Pacific Tea Co., Westcott's, Little Bros., Aldrich & Rinard, Henley & Biles, I. Harris, Ada Hardware Co., Baugh & Prewitt, Scott-Hoard Co., Ada Furniture & Cofin Co., S. I. Tobias, W. A. Alexander, Cox Greer Dry Goods Co., Lowden & Shirley, Woodard Hdw. Co., W. C. Rollow, A. R. Sugg & Co., M. L. Powers, R. E. Haynes, S. Levin, T. J. Chambliss, W. C. Duncan, W. M. Freeman & Co., E. L. Steed, Evans & Nettles, W. N. Guest, Jones & Meaders, S. E. Chapman, M. L. Walsh, P. K. Smith, Ada Steam Laundry, Reed & Harrison.

Christmas Tree.

The Presbyterian and the Cumberland Presbyterian Sunday schools will together have a Christmas tree at the Cumberland Presbyterian church on Saturday evening, Dec. 23.

All the members of both congregations are invited to attend the tree and to put on it what presents they desire to for their children and friends. A short program will be rendered by the children before the gifts are distributed.

Christmas Presents.

Just received:—A new line of up-to-date Hats, the swellest thing in town all styles and colors. Call and see 'em. I. Harris. 234 5t-w1

Wreck At Marlow.

Marlow, I. T., Dec. 23.—A wreck occurred in the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific yards Thursday morning at 2:45, in which a fireman named Deahl, was badly hurt, and both engines were wrecked.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses have been issued to R. A. Walker and Anna Robinsonette of Roff; A. M. Harris and Lee Ola Cathey of Roff; John D. Jenkins and Eva Elliott of Hickory.

Notice.

On account of carrying holiday goods and having packages laid away for customers our store will remain open until 11 o'clock a. m. Monday. Surprise Store. 1t 238.

Premium.

Premium stamps given away with holiday goods and all other goods at the Crescent Drug Store. tf 235

Take Notice.

On account of having a large stock of holiday goods and many articles to be called for Monday, our store will remain open until 11 o'clock on that day. 1t 238 Bocher's

Fighting Foley's Honey and Tar

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered as no other preparation will give the same satisfaction. It is mildly laxative. It contains no opiates and is safest for children and delicate persons. Clark Drug Co. and Mason Drug Co.

A Fearful Fate

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of Piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson of Masonville, Ia., "that for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protruding Piles Bucklin's Arnica Salve is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at Clark Drug Co. and Dr. F. Z. Holley's Drug Store.

Doctors Could Not Help Her

"I had kidney trouble for years," writes Mrs. Raymond Conner of Shelton, Wash., "and the doctors could not help me. I tried Foley's Kidney Cure, and the very first dose gave me instant relief and I am now cured. I cannot say too much for Foley's Kidney Cure." It makes the diseased kidneys sound so they will eliminate the poisons from the blood. Unless they do this good health is impossible. Clark Drug Co. and Mason Drug Co.

No Case of Pneumonia on Record

We do not know of a single instance where a cough or cold resulted in pneumonia or consumption when Foley's Honey and Tar had been taken. It cures coughs and colds perfectly, so do not take chances with some unknown preparation which may contain opiates, which cause constipation, a condition that retards recovery from a cold. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Clark Drug Co. and Mason Drug Co.

Better Than Any Other.

Cuero, Texas, May 23, 1903. "Ship one gross Dr. Mendenhall's Chill and Fever Cure. We have been selling your Chill Cure for four years and it gives better general results than any chill tonic we have ever sold."—Cuero Drug Co. Sold by Clark Drug Co.



Chase's best Mohair Lap Robe, worth \$25.00, now - = \$20.00.
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Ada Hardware Co., East Main Street.
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Japanese ware at Sprague Bros. 222-tf

We want to trade a farm wagon for horses or mules. Woodard Hdw Co.

Before buying a diamond see Warren. 233 6t

See P. K. Smith for up-to-now photo work. 152-tf

Good values in diamonds at Sprague Bros. 222 tf

The News is the advertising medium. It reaches; it is read. It courts comparisons. Talk to the manager about it.

Speaking of hand-ome Christmas gifts, Mason has them and at prices that make you believe the goods were given to him. 237-2t

Money loaned on chattels and crops, on improved city property or to build, and on intermarried citizen's surplus land, and on land where restrictions have been removed. W. H. Ebey. tf 193

Golf Tournament.

Mexico City, Mexico, January 1906. For this occasion the Frisco will make rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale Jan. 1st, to 12th, inclusive. Final limit for return Feb. 28th, 1906. I. McNair Agt. Ada, I. T.

International Live Stock Exposition.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16 to 23, 1905. For this occasion the Frisco will sell tickets at rate of \$25.00 for round trip. Dates of sale December 16th to 19th, inclusive. Final return limit December 24th, 1905.

Christmas and New Years Holiday

Excursion rates via the Frisco. Rate one and one third fare for the round trip, but nothing less than 50 cents.

Tickets on sale December 22nd 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, and January 1st. Limit for return January 4th, 1906. For information as to what points we can sell, rates, etc., call on I. McNair, Agent, Ada, I. T.

Exceptional Holiday Rates Via

Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway

On December 21, 22 and 23 Holiday tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates to certain points in Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Tickets good 30 days from date of sale.

On December 22, 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, 1905, and January 1, 1906, holiday tickets will be sold between local stations and to points on connecting lines, with final return limit of January 4, 1906.

See the Ticket Agent for rates and particulars.

Otis B. Weaver Fire Insurance Agent

Represents several old line companies with practically unlimited capital, all of whom will positively meet any rate and in some instances write fire insurance much cheaper.

With such companies, several years experience and an expert fire writer in office, your business is solicited.

Otis B. Weaver Fire Insurance Agent

Holiday Rates

Cheap trips for those desirous of spending Christmas at the old home, for visiting friends.

Especially Low Rates
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Tickets on sale at all stations, Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, 1905, and Jan. 1, 1906; good until and including Jan. 4 for return.

ASK THE AGENT



for the rates and about the train service. The exceptional rates—the excellent train service—will make your Holiday Trip nominal in cost and comfortable

'SOUTHWEST' and convenient if via the M. K. & T. Ry.

PLAN YOUR TRIP NOW.

W. S. ST. GEORGE,
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COTTON MARKET.

The following prices have been paid for cotton in Ada today:

Bale 11 00
Seed 3 80

Receipts light

LOCAL NEWS

R. J. Tabers left for Wichita Falls Texas.

Stick pins at Sprague Bros. 222

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pryor went to Wetumka.

For watches, clocks, jewelry, see Sprague Bros. 222

Duke Stone went to Texas today to spend his—

Nice fresh eggs. Ada Produce Company. 232-tf

Miss Simms has gone to Madrid for the holidays.

Sprague Bros., signet rings. 222 tf

Miss Warren left for Kansas last night for the holidays.

Always remember that Holley don't buy trash. 234 tf

I. McNair left last night for Kansas to spend his holiday.

If you want it known tell it to the News.

Charles R. Watson was down from Francis on business.

300 pattern set rings at Sprague Bros. 222 tf

Miss Crawford has gone to Arkansas for a Christmas visit.

Best watch on earth for \$1.00 at Sprague Bros. 222

Miss Essie Bell went to Gainesville for Christmas.

Only one quality—Best—at Sprague Bros. 222

Jeff Reed left for a visit at Fayetteville, Arkansas.

When you want coal phone No. 246, Ada Coal Co. 224 tf

Mrs. Jesse Wilbanks has gone to Calvin for a visit.

Before buying diamonds see Warren. 233 6t

Misses Gwyn and Taylor will go to Gainesville, Texas. Sunday to spend Christmas.

Price is no object on Christmas toys at Mason's. 237-2t

Attorney Copen, wife and baby will spend the holidays at Van Alstyne, Texas.

Don't forget Holley's Drug Store when you are looking for something nice in Xmas goods. 224

F. J. Etter and family left today for a holiday visit with relatives at Van Alstyne, Texas.

See Warren for cut glass and silverware. Largest stock—lowest prices. 233-6t

Mrs. H. E. Shaw this forenoon went to Southwest Missouri for a visit with relatives.

1847 Rogers' knives and forks \$3.50 at C. J. Warren & Co. 233-6t

Messrs Otis and Carlton Weaver will depart tomorrow for Mt. Vernon, Texas, to eat Christmas dinner with the old folks at home. Their cousin Miss Mollie Jernigan will accompany them.

Uptodate bath rooms have just been installed in the Palace Barber Shop, next door to English Kitchen, north side Main street. Everything scrupulously clean and the best of service. 10t 229

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ADA EVENING NEWS.

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Science has discovered several new kinds of mosquitoes but no need for them.

Japan's "Protectorate" over Korea will be exercised firmly, but with the utmost politeness.

London would appreciate it if some one would furnish a job to its army of unemployed workmen.

The announcement that the Chinese emperor intends to travel should be coupled with "if ma is agreeable."

Mrs. Taggart has been interviewed again. Oh, drop the Taggart business. There has been too much of it already.

"Lovely millinery confections" are advertised for only \$28. We don't choose any. Plain hats are good enough.

The divinity that doth hedge a king didn't keep King Edward from the pain and inconvenience of a sprained ankle.

Small diamonds are in fashion this season. Hubby hasn't much money left after laying in his supply of black diamonds.

New York's 400 has been reduced to 79, leaving 321 persons whose sole claim to social fame is that they are in the has been class.

It isn't the opportunities you miss that work you harm half so much as it is the opportunities the other fellow grasps ahead of you.

Son, ambition never yet took the place of industry. Ambition is merely the spyglass that lets you see the point to which you must climb.

Japanese counterfeiters in Hawaii are turning out American money, and there is reason to suspect the copy is more artistic than the original.

A judge has decided that a man who has got drunk every Sunday for years is not an habitual drunkard. Just sot in his ways, that's all.

The announcement of a copper lined train shed reminds one of the man with a copper lined stomach. Both are supposed to resist corrosives.

Another American countess has obtained a divorce from a count who failed to support her. So runs the world away. What good does it do to preach?

Hetty Green says if people talked less there would be fewer fools on record. But what is a man to do when he is called before an investigating committee?

"Life is like a game of football," says an enthusiastic Y. M. C. A. worker. Yea, verily. Most of us are at the bottom of the scrimmage and few make a touchdown.

The frank admission comes from Springfield, Ohio, that a child has written a comic opera. We have suspected for some time that something of this sort was going on.

"It was wonderful!" said Prince Louis of the New York horse show. "Such beautiful women and such magnificent gowns!" The prince evidently knew where to look.

The powers are going to give the sultan another naval demonstration. When the sultan gets bored he has a sure relief for ennui. The powers are always willing to oblige.

As viewed by Mrs. Astor's social set the last census returns giving New York a population of 4,000,000 are misleading. The town has a population of 79 persons and 2,999,921 nobodies.

With Prince Louis, the horse show and the insurance investigation all going on at once New York had a strenuous time of it. It will take society quite a while to recover from the strain.

The revival of the story that the king of Spain is going to marry Princess Ena of Battenberg, naturally revives the suggestion that perhaps he picked her out by saying: "Ena, mena, mona, mi."

Brother Rockefeller's income this year will total about \$40,000,000. He must be able to afford to buy a new hat and a pair of new shoes the same week. How absurd it is to say he is not a happy man!

The way in which a Boston preacher characterized the trouble of the times: "That centralized fury of money madness that drives every trace of public spirit from the soul." He very nearly got onto the idea.

A New Jersey man who advertised for a wife got thousands of answers from applicants all over the country, and then married somebody else. What a charming honeymoon he and his wife will have reading all those letters!

In a New York theater the other night, a woman in the balcony, in the excitement of the scene in "Oliver Twist," where Bill strikes Nancy, called out in distinct tones: "Now stop that!"—a notable compliment to the realism of the play.

BOYCOTT SPREADS TO RELIGION

Queer Phase of the Recent Movement in China.

Writes a Canton correspondent of the China Mail: "The fierce struggle to which the boycott has given rise has now entered the sphere of religion and concerned itself with ceremonial observances. Everybody in China knows of the great moon feast held about the middle of September. One of the special features of this feast is the preparation of a peculiar species of moon cakes, which are very popular with all classes. In the preparation of these cakes for many years the finest quality of American flour has been used. It has now been decided by the ladies of the Canton, whose business it is to attend to these matters, that they will not buy any cakes made of this flour, but will content themselves with fried rice cakes instead.

"Moreover, in regard to the cakes usually presented to the servants, it has been decided that money shall be given instead. Indeed, through the medium of the planchette, the far famed god of war has made known his will in the matter and has warned all to keep from the orthodox luxury or they will incur his fierce displeasure. In addition to this most important decision, it has been decided that at weddings and such felicitous occasions the same rule shall apply.

"I have touched only on the fringe of the subject here, for the native accounts cover a wide scope of what shall not be eaten, if any American flour is used. And so it will be found that this problem will solve itself, for the owners of the cake shops were perplexed as to what they should do were they to boycott American flour, and now the people themselves have decided for them."

A Little Parable.

Hatred and Selfishness fell in love with each other because they saw that their deeds were alike evil.

So they sought Beelzebub and asked him to marry them.

"I will do it," he said, "but it must be on one condition."

"What is the condition?" they asked.

"That the two of you, when legally made one, shall take a new name."

"It is agreed," they said.

So they were wedded with much pomp and ceremony.

"Now what is our new name?" they immediately inquired.

"Human Folly," was the answer.

"That name hereafter will include the both of you, as, indeed, it practically has done heretofore."

So the united two wander over the earth, covering it with unhappiness and frequently we refer to them by their former names, but not the less does their wedded name apply to either or both of them.—San Francisco Call.

A Crystal Mine.

One of the oddest mines in the world is described by Malcolm McDowell in his article, "Strange Floor-Spar Mine," in the Technical World Magazine. Says Mr. McDowell: "The shaft, but little larger than the cylindrical steel skip used for transporting the spar and miners, descends on a decided slant to the working levels and the man with patent leather shoes need have no fear of soiling them by going down in to the mine, for no dirt, muck or clay is found in this crystallized bore. The water is clear, for there is nothing to discolor it. The air drills, boring holes for the blasts, send bell-like vibrations through the subterranean galleries, for the steel cutters are continually pounding into solid, glasslike mineral. The air, though warm, is sweet, for there are no carbonized gases to peril the lives of the miners."

Particles of Dust Fatal.

In an article entitled "Four Years' Work on One Lens" John L. Gowan shows what extreme care is necessary to the perfect completion of a great lens. He writes:

"For the larger lenses, the polishing and correcting are done on massive machinery in an apartment where the temperature is kept absolutely constant. The windows are never opened here when a lens is in process of manufacture, as a stray particle of dirt from the outside world might work irreparable havoc, and the workman and the precious piece of glass in his hands are protected by a huge umbrella or other nonporous covering from dust particles that might fall from the ceiling.

"This extreme caution is none too great, as the optician must now deal with errors not greater than the five hundred thousandth part of an inch."

Sweeter.

Where the river browses loud In the depths of the glen, And the trees bend above, I can see you again; I can see the blue grapes, And can hear the stream call Us away to the meadows, Where daisies are tall.

And the cliffs are as high And as broken and brown, And the path that of old We so oft clambered down Still twists down its face As it then used to do, Past each steep where of old I was glad to help you.

And I know the huge rock Splits the torrent in two, And I know where the shallows And I know that these memories Are sweeter by far Than the scenes of to-day That I wander in are.

—Houston Post.

Claim Honors for Maine Men.

Now that Portland is to have a statue of Tom Reed is a Maine paper thinks that Lot M. Morrill and James G. Blaine should be similarly honored. In Augusta and Nelson Dingley Jr. Lewiston and Hannibal Hamlin and Charles A. Boutelle in Bangor.

SHOWING THE WORLD'S PROGRESS

Stump or Rock Extractor.

Stumps and rocks very often prove nasty and troublesome obstacles in the path of improvements, and much time and labor are generally expended before they are finally removed. It is not always desirable to resort to blasting, with its subsequent dangers, and an apparatus like the one shown here would in nine cases out of ten be sufficient for the purpose. The inventor, a New Hampshire man, claims that it is capable of exerting a maximum lifting power at a minimum expenditure of labor. In this apparatus a supporting frame is employed, triangular in shape, to the apex of which is suspended the lifting mechanism. This consists of a supporting bar, one end of which is provided with an opening for the reception of a link, which is attached to the top of the frame, the opposite end being recessed and having a vertical slot in which is mounted



Pulls Up the Rock.

a rackbar. The rackbar is adjusted to raise or lower the load by means of a lever. At the inner end of the lever is a terminal pin which engages with the teeth on the rackbar. As a means for locking the rackbar preparatory to taking a new grip, a latch is provided. Secured to the lower end of the bar is a ring or link, to which is fastened in any manner one end of a chain or rope for attachment to the stump, rock or other article to be extracted. After the chain has been attached to the stump the lever is operated, which forces the rackbar up a notch, after which a fresh hold is secured and the operation repeated. By making the frame strong and the lever long an immense amount of power can be concentrated; in fact, plenty to extract ordinary stumps or rocks.

Artificial Pumice Stone.

While emery is used for polishing tools, polishing sand for stones and glass, ferric oxide for fine glassware, and lime and felt for metals, pumice stone is more frequently employed for polishing softer objects. Natural pumice stone presents but little firmness, and the search has therefore been made to replace the natural product with an artificial one. A German firm has produced an artificial stone by means of sandstone and clay, designed to be used for a variety of purposes. No. 1, hard or soft, with coarse grain, is designed for leather and waterproof garments, and for the industries of felt and wool; No. 2, hard and soft, of average grain, is designed for work in stucco and sculptors' use, and for rubbing down wood before painting; No. 3, soft, with fine grain, is used for polishing wood and tin articles; No. 4, of average hardness, with fine grain, is used for giving to wood a surface previous to polishing with oil; No. 5, hard, with fine grain, is employed for metal work and stones, especially lithographic stones. These artificial products are utilized in the same manner as the volcanic products. For giving a smooth surface to wood, the operation is dry, but for finishing the product is diluted with oil. —Montreal Herald.

Sco Fleet Impressive Spectacle.

"The most impressive commercial panorama that the earth can show" is the ore laden fleet of steamers that passes through the great Sault Ste. Marie canal, fifty millions of tons of iron passing in review, 30,000,000 being iron ore to be worked up by countless hands to do service to mankind. One of these great steamers has loaded 10,245 gross tons of iron ore at Allouez bay in eighty-nine minutes. Nine thousand tons of this load were put on in thirty-four minutes, while the steamer was at dock only 180 minutes, including shifting. The Lake Superior country has been termed the world's richest mineral territory. As said the Hon. Peter White, whose history runs parallel with America's iron age, "the iron trade of the United States is a mighty solemn fact."

Investigate Deep Wells That Blow.

Blowing wells, otherwise known as breathing wells, are being investigated by the United States geological survey. They have already examined many wells that emit currents of air, with more or less force, sometimes accompanied by a whistling sound audible for a long distance. The best known example of this type of well are found throughout Nebraska. The force of the air current in one of the Louisiana wells is sufficient to keep a man's hat suspended above it. The cause of such phenomena is mainly due to changes in atmospheric pressure or to changes in temperature.

The author's wife may trust him, though he is "such a story teller."

HAS HUMAN ADVERTISING CARD

Chicagoan Has Found Novel Way to Increase Business.

A young and energetic coal merchant of the northwest side has invented a new way to advertise his business. It is probably the most modern one of its kind, and to say the least, it is attractive to the eye—especially to those of the masculine persuasion.

His invention is a petite brunette of nineteen summers, as pretty as a fairy queen, and the only fear of the coal merchant is that some of his customers, will marry her and take her away before he can amass a fortune at the coal business by having her in the office as a drawing card.

This young man is the employer of the "human advertising card" and the owner of the fuel store said that he concluded previous to buying the place that the only thing that would draw trade would be a beautiful young girl in the office whose sole duties were to sit in front of the window and look happy. But her orders upon starting at her newly appointed position were these: "Do not flirt; sit and look wise."

This is all the young woman has to do all day, as the energetic young coal merchant attends to all the office duties. Of course, there is no danger of the employer becoming infatuated with his help. Several sign painters have called at the place demanding that she join their union, alleging for a reason that her presence in the office does away with the necessity of lettering the windows.—Chicago Chronicle.

Stop Autos With Dust.

Some of the farmer boys on the Long Island roads have hit upon a plan to "get even" with the hated automobilists who slaughter pet dogs and chickens in their wild bursts of speed. The "get even" plan is not attended with danger for the projectors, but they seem to relish it.

The apparatus is simplicity itself, consisting of an old buggy, a good, strong horse capable of getting over the road at a fair rate, and a young cedar tree. The latter is tied behind the buggy and allowed to drag along the road, which at the point selected for operations is especially dusty.

When the boys see an auto coming they whip up their horse, taking the same direction as the approaching machine. When the old horse is urged into a gallop the amount of dust raised would do credit to a small cyclone.

When they meet the "cloud of dust" the autoists generally speed up in hopes of passing the supposed farmer and giving him a little taste of his own medicine. After trying this ruse for about thirty yards, they generally slow up in order to get the dirt out of their lungs.

Monarch Up to the Times.

As the fearless white man entered the kraal of the native king, a salute was sounded on a drum of serpent skin, and six warriors, with necklaces of human teeth rattling about their ebony throats, led him before a rough ivory dais, on which sat a majestic and formidable figure.

"Hail," said the white man. And, without loss of time, he took out one of his brass watches, wound it up and showed its works to the dusky monarch.

"This marvel," he said, "I will give your majesty, making you the envy of all men and all tribes, in return for only six tusks of not less than seventy pounds' weight each."

The king took the watch, produced a monacle from a pouch hidden in his shield, and, after a moment's study of the brass trinket, returned it with a languid smile.

"Last year," he added, "in London, I exchanged an old wooden warclub for a bushel of these things, and, by Jove, there wasn't one of them that ran above a week."

Puck.

Titania is gone With play, elf and fay, And fairy Oberon Has spirited away; Ephemeral were they, Ephemeral are we Who think we're here to stay, What fools these mortals be!

The sages gravely con Their volumes, musty gray; The poets moon upon Their perishable lay; The thrifty men make hay While shines the sun—ah, me! These actions all betray What fools these mortals be!

But still the world wages on, Life is a pleasant play Where all the actors don Their garments glad and gay; The pipers get their pay, The dancers give their fee, Joy rules both night and day, What fools these mortals be!

ENVOY.

Friends, laugh while yet you may, The wisest will agree, Puck has the right to say What fools these mortals be! —Julian Durand in New York Sun

Lavish Gifts of the Mortons.

Former Vice President Levi P. Morton has given to Rhinecliff, near which his home, Ellerslie, is situated, an industrial home and reading room, to cost \$50,000. The new building will have a gymnasium, baths, reading-rooms, library and assembly hall. In the same village Miss Mary Morton, a daughter of Mr. Morton, has established a holiday farm, where the convalescent crippled poor of New York are cared for.

Auto Tour in Europe.

An American speeding over the continent of Europe in his automobile asked of his chauffeur, "Where are we?" "In Paris," shouted the man at the wheel, and the dust flew. "Oh, never mind the details," irritably screamed the American millionaire. "I mean what continent?"

KNOTS USEFUL TO MECHANICS

The art of the sailorman is useful to the mechanic in so far as it relates

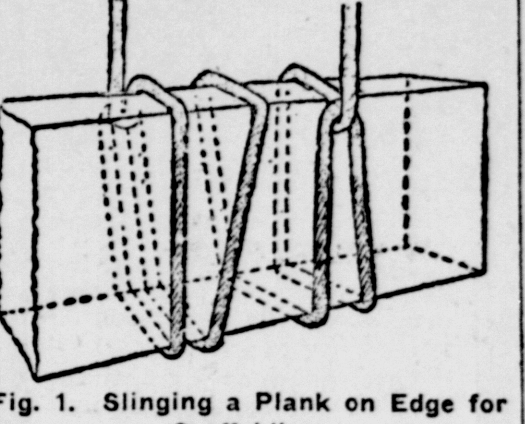


Fig. 1. Slinging a Plank on Edge for Scaffolding.

to knots. A. D. Williams, Jr., in the American Machinist, gives some pointers on knots that will be appreciated by riggers and men who have to do with scaffolding. Mr. Williams states that in supporting a swinging scaffold it is often advantageous to use light material while at the same time strength is required. He shows a

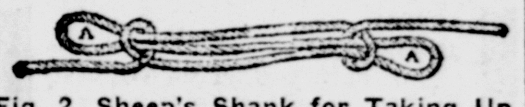


Fig. 2. Sheep's Shank for Taking Up Slack.

knot that may be used to swing a plank to the greatest advantage by securing its strongest position to hold the weight. Figure 1 shows this knot in place. As Mr. Williams describes it the knot is very simple. A close hitch is made around the end of the plank; then one of the parts is twisted around the plank until the ends lead

as shown in the sketch. Figure 2 shows an arrangement for shortening a piece of rope without cutting it. This is a sheep's shank. The rope is brought back on itself, making two or more hitches, and a half hitch is taken around each hitch. This knot will not slip and will nearly fall apart of its own accord if the strain is released. To prevent this a piece of wood

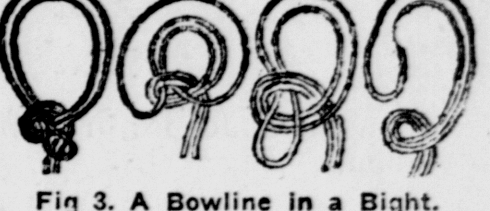


Fig. 3. A Bowline in a Bight.

should be placed in each end of the loops marked A and the rope should be pulled tight on them. The handiest knot to hitch an auxiliary tackle on a fall is illustrated in Figure 3. The steps necessary to make it are there clearly shown. This knot the writer claims has all the good points of the simple bowline and is really a "bowline in a bight." Mr. Williams shows the right way to rig a tackle to pull a weight in Fig. 4. He says there is a right way and a wrong way. The right way gains the leverage of one

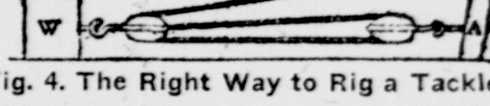


Fig. 4. The Right Way to Rig a Tackle additional part of the rope in the tackle. The wrong way might be illustrated by the same cut if W was the post and A the weight.

WHERE GOOD SISTER BALKED.

Proposed Operation Not at All to Her Taste.

An old lady of his flock once called upon Dr. Gill with a grievance. The doctor's neckbands were too long for her ideas of ministerial humility, and, after a long harangue on the sin of pride, she intimated that she had brought a pair of scissors with her, and would be pleased if her dear pastor would permit her to cut them down to her notions of propriety.

The doctor not only listened patiently, but handed over the offending white bands to be operated upon. When she had cut them to her satisfaction and returned the bibs, it was the doctor's turn.

"Now," said he, "you must do me a good turn also."

"Yes, that I will, doctor. What can it be?"

"Well, you have something about you which is a deal too long and which causes me no end of trouble, and I should like to see it shorter."

"Indeed, dear sir, I will not hesitate. What is it? Here are the scissors; use them as you please."

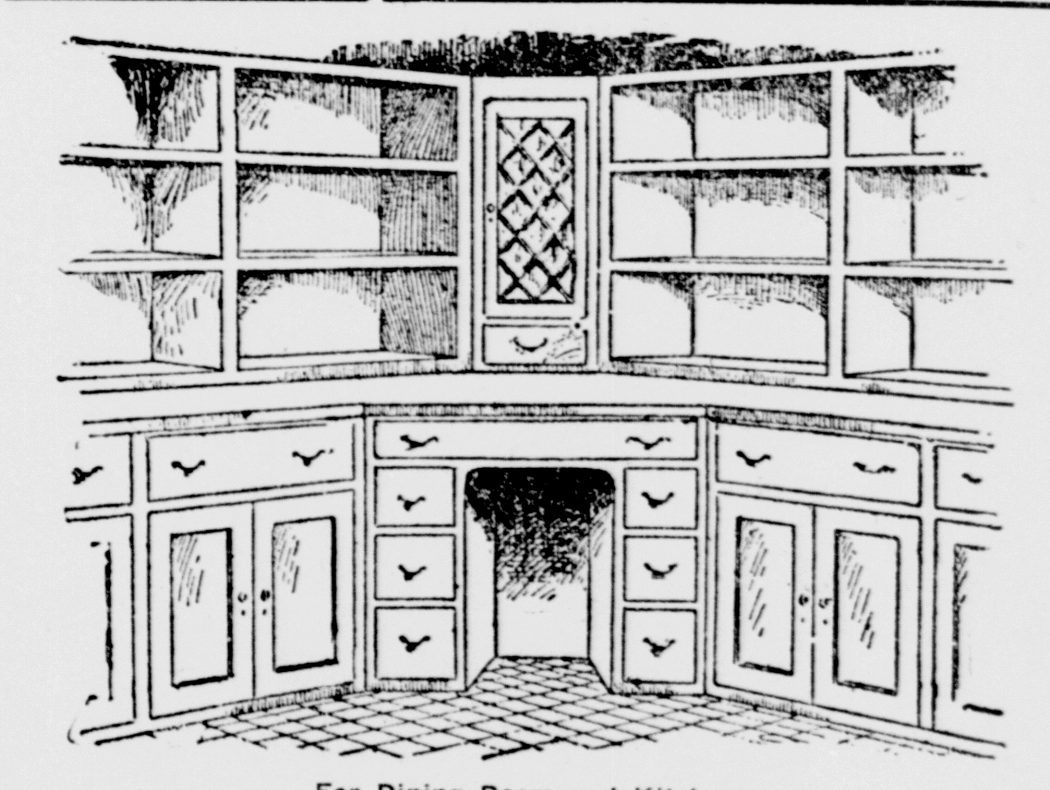
"Come, then," said the sturdy divine, "good sister, put out your tongue!" —London Answers.

Typhus Fever Stamped Out.

Writes Dr. Andrew Wilson: "Typhus fever was once very rife in our big centers of population. In Edinburgh it was often epidemic, being bred in the dirty, overcrowded slums of those days, amid the squalid, poverty-stricken crowd. At one time they had 120 cases in the hospital. The clearing away of the slums and the activity of sanitary bodies, who were told that the typhus germ can only breed amidst the impure air of overcrowded places, sufficed to put typhus fever on a very different plane. Today many students and even practitioners will tell us that they have never seen a case of this ailment."

—Chicago Journal.

HOUSEKEEPER'S ASSISTANT



For Dining Room and Kitchen.

The corners of rooms often contain space that serves no practical purpose in the domestic economy of the house. If they can be utilized for some kitchen or dining room convenience space may be saved elsewhere in these rooms, to the great convenience of the family, or the help in the kitchen.

The kitchen suggested, here reproduced from the Country Gentleman, gives all the conveniences of a kitchen cabinet, closets, shelves and the broad shelf on either side, furnishes more room than ever a very large table, that from its shape must occupy a large amount of space. The arrangement shown in the cut, however, takes very little space in the kitchen, and that, too, where the space is not usually utilized.

A different arrangement of drawers, closets and shelves can be had, to suit one's own special needs, the cut being given more as a suggestion than as a plan to be absolutely followed. If more table-top room is desired more of the corner can be cut off, bringing the "cross-corner" part of the cabinet a little further out into the room. The little cabinet with glass door above this corner table can be used for the small articles of cooking—spices, flavoring extracts, dried fruits, tea, coffee, cocoa, etc. The open shelves can have sliding or hinged glass doors to keep out dust, if desired. Such a device aids greatly in saving needless labor in housekeeping, for all the ingredients of cooking are right at hand, and near the kitchen range.

Fashion

Skirts to Wear with Fur Coats.
The one objection to a fur coat of any kind is that when once put on at the beginning of the winter it is not a very safe thing to do to change back to a cloth jacket, saving, of course, for those sudden times of warm weather which come now and then even during the most severely cold season. Many of the handsomest reception gowns this year have made to wear with them either short or long fur coats of sable, ermine, astrakhan, or caracul. Whether a fur coat is cut long or on the Eton or bolero model, it is bound to have more warmth than either cloth or velvet.

If a fur coat is to be worn in the evening some short walking skirt must be provided for it, as broadcloth at



Belted Bolero.

ternoon dresses are, most of them, now made long and a most inconvenient and uncomfortable length for walking. The color of this short skirt must be chosen with reference to the kind of skin in the coat; with sable, golden brown is handsomest, although red is effective, but with black fur a black cloth skirt is probably smarter, although almost any shade will look well against handsome black fur. Long, ponyskin coats are worn this year, but only the darkest and most handsomely marked skins are really fashionable. With the Russian pony coat, itself a dark brown, it were best to match the fur as nearly as possible in selecting the cloth for the skirt; bright red, however, is always attractive in winter and is particularly so against the dark brown of the fur.

Handiwork on Gowns.
Exquisite handiwork is being put upon the gowns this winter. One lovely reception dress had a little bolero which looked very much like a baby's house coat. It was cut very short, had wide sleeves and a little turnover collar marvelously embroidered. A line of embroidery extended all the way around the border of the little bolero, which, by the way, was made of broadcloth and was in a pale shade of green to match the gown.

The heavier ruchings are worn with the low collars that are now the style. Collars are cut rather low in the throat and all the way around there is set a heavy ruche which fills in the neck nicely and is very becoming. The thicker the ruche the better, and it is no unusual thing to see a double ruffling, thick as half your wrist, carried out in two or three pale shades of cream set in the neck of a gown and used as a finish to a low necked shirt waist.

Peacock Fad.
"When the peacock comes into fashion it gets into every phase of it," says a fashion expert. "This was true of the pre-eminent beautiful and artistic bird when it became the rage for decorations some fifteen years or so ago. It is true of it this season."

Hats, gowns, cloaks, jewelry, household decorations, all are being affected in increasing degree by the peacock fad. The bluish green or greenish blue shade, called peacock blue, is but one of the many colors suggested by the peacock. Every one of its feathers, from the long ones in its gorgeous tail to the tiny ones hidden under its wings, supplies a color study. A dazlingly brilliant costume may be planned in its coloring, or one as quiet as the softest shades of buff-brown will make it.

All White Gowns.
Of course, you must have one white gown, for there are times when a white dress is good. The most serviceable gown of this description is a white peau de cygne with a brilliant luster. Have it made with narrow plaits extending all around the hips and have them stitched two fingers deep. Then let the skirt flare evenly all the way around. This skirt, while beautiful, is never too dressy for nice wear. It can be put on for those occasions when one does not know what to wear. A white peau de cygne skirt often saves a dressier gown and makes a nice appearance at the same time.

For the Girls and Boys.
The question that to choose for the serviceable heavy outer coats for the

small boy or girl this year is fashionably decided by getting diagonal cloths for boys and checked Scotch tweeds for girls. These checks are as nearly as possible like the inside of the double faced golf cloths of two seasons ago. They are the novelty of the year for the small girl's everyday coat and are cut almost invariably in a couple of deep plaits on either side of the double breasted front. The backs are loose, with stitched belt to button on at the waist line and the turn back cuffs and collars are finished with dark velvet facings to harmonize. One of the prettiest is in black and white check with black velvet facings and black velvet covered buttons, with the lining harmonizing well in gray tailors' satin.

Girdles.
Fashion has decreed that the girdle is supreme in this winter's toils. Of course the elite, patronizing exclusive designers, have girdles to match gowns, yet so artistically considered that separ from the garment itself is a marvel in making. Imagine a street costume of the new prune shade, with skirt, bodice and coat in harmony. The bodice fits snugly to the skirt line, but is separated by a narrow girdle, unobtrusive and fitting so perfectly that it does not suggest division of the body above the hips.

Velvet and Accessories.
For smart wear velvet is the most modish fabric, and now that even the less costly kinds are dressed soft they do not mark and crease so readily and are altogether more satisfactory in wear. Short velvet skirts fit quite tightly around the hips and have extensions, plaited near the hem, and these are usually accompanied by some short type of coat, or in Paris the bolero barely reaching to the waist is still in favor.

Popular Velvet.
For the street and receptions there will be worn many velvet costumes. Black, but relieved with touches of color or white facings, and trimmed with braid, will be very smart, while in the light colors, gray and tan (a queer new shade of it) and green will be the favorite. Braid and fancy passementerie and bands of fur will be the favorite trimmings, here again showing how much choice exists.

Fashions and Fancies.
Experience tells that in mending gloves it is better to use cotton the color of the glove rather than silk. The gloss of the latter calls attention to the stitches, which would hardly be visible in cotton. To curl feathers the ribs are scraped with a bit of glass cut circularly, in order to render them pliant, and then, by drawing the edge of a blunt knife over the filaments, they assume the curly form so much admired.

In Heavier Weaves.
Faille alteese, a distinctly new evening fabric, is lovely and rich. The effect is that of ordinary cotton pique of sixteenth-inch stripe. It comes in plain colors of all the evening shades.

Warm Box Reefer.
No need to fear the wintry winds or the worst effort of the weather man when clad in such a coat as the one shown. This is very modish for girls and very practical as well. The warmest of coat cloths are to be obtained, among which cheviot, camel's hair, homespun and broadcloth are very good choice. The neck of this one is finished with a flat stitched collar of fanciful design which lies close to the surface of the coat so as not to interfere with the wearing of furs. The broad plait and jaunty pockets relieve the severity of the front while the plaits hanging free from the waist-line in back provide a necessary fullness. A belt of the material is quite in keeping with the design. A fanciful cuff and tiny tucks form the adornment of the sleeve. Box reefers and full length coats of all kinds are very fashionable for girls as well as older people and being simple of construction they are readily adapted to home construction.



MONEY IN ABANDONED FARMS

Country Life in America Points Out Important Facts.

The great mass of conservative opinion seems to be firmly set against advising the public to buy cheap lands, says Country Life in America. "Ten-dollar-an-acre land is no good for farming," the experts say. "Farming requires more capital than formerly, and the day of general farming in the East is past. A thousand dollars at least is necessary. The best 'abandoned farms' have been transferred into summer homes; the others should never have been attempted."

In the hope that there might be some exceptions to these pessimistic statements, Country Life in America began an investigation, which has brought to light the following hopeful facts: First—Many people have succeeded at general farming within the last ten years on land costing \$5 to \$10 an acre. Second—General farming is often better than special farming for the beginner without experience—at least for the first year. Third—There is plenty of suitable land in New England and the South that can be bought for \$10 an acre or less. Fourth—Much of this land is not abandoned; it is still worked for profit. It can be had at bargain prices for three permanent legitimate reasons—old age, ill health, the settlement of an estate. Fifth—People do not know how to find out where these cheap lands are.

What Becomes of Lost Vessels?

An interesting question as to what becomes of ships that for one reason or another disappear from view and registry lists is answered by Lloyd's Register, which gives annually the return of shipping lost or condemned. In the past year the waste of shipping amounted to \$87 vessels of 738,145 tons, excluding all under 100 tons, which, it is interesting to note, is about the yearly average, though a substantial contribution to the list is made on account of the naval operations at Port Arthur, in the course of which some thirty steamers were sunk.

During the year there were 344 steamers and 463 sailing vessels lost, of which wrecks were responsible for more than half, while more than one-fourth the total number were broken up and condemned, the remainder being distributed between less in collision or sailing-ships abandoned at sea.

Busy Liveryman.

The late Gustavus A. Somerby, a prominent member of the Suffolk bar in the sixties, was quick to see and appreciate the humorous or ridiculous. In driving one day he had occasion to stable his horse at noon in the little village of Acton.

As he was waiting to have his horse harnessed, he glanced up and down the quiet street, seeing no sign of life, human or other, and said, dryly: "Is yours the only livery in town?"

"Yes," said the proprietor, with a deep sigh of complacency as well as fatigue.

"Why," said Mr. Somerby, "they must keep you pretty busy here."

"Busy! Well, I should say so. Why, some days both horses are out till 9 o'clock at night!"—Boston Herald.

Not a Matchmaker.

Cardinal Manning used to tell the following story of his friend, Bishop Bramstone, who seems to have been a wit as well as an eminent ecclesiastic:

One day a member of his flock approached him—whether in earnest or not does not appear—with the remark that he wanted a wife, and he added the usual modest conditions that she must be young, rich and pretty.

The bishop answered him upon the instant.

"You are mistaken," said he. "My name is Bramstone, not Brimstone. I do not make matches."

Millionaire Carlisle Footballer.

Oscar Hunt, one of the Carlisle football team, is an Indian millionaire. He is from Oklahoma and has been at Carlisle for some months. When the government bought land from the Indians the Hunt family had a great deal to sell and Oscar found himself owner of seven figures. His teammates call him "Heap Big Money Chief, head of the Spondulix." He is studiously inclined and off the gridiron wears glasses.

Ascent of Monte Rosa.

The Monte Rosa has heretofore been ascended mostly from the Swiss side, the Italian side having presented almost insuperable difficulties. The Italian Alpine Club has now undertaken to erect huts and place chains in the steepest places, so that it will be possible even for ordinary climbers to ascend the mountain from the Italian town of Macognaga.

Professor Declines Call.

Prof. Hugo Muensterberg of Harvard, author of "American Traits" and "The Americans," has declined a call to the chair of philosophy at the University of Konigsberg, a professorship which was held for more than thirty years by Immanuel Kant.

Never Twice Alike.

"Think it over again, Nanette, before you refuse me."

"Why should I consider your proposal twice?"

"Oh, because you women never think twice alike."—Dorfbartbarier.

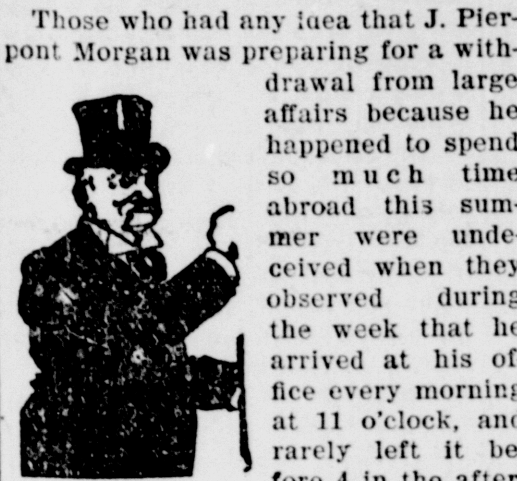
So Say We All.

"The automobile," said the enthusiast, "is still in its infancy."

"Well," rejoined the practical person, "I hope it makes less noise and behaves better when it grows up."

GOSSIP FROM GOTHAM

Sketches and Anecdotes Gathered In by Our Special Correspondent



Those who had any idea that J. Pierpont Morgan was preparing for a withdrawal from large affairs because he happened to spend so much time abroad this summer were undeceived when they observed during the week that he arrived at his office every morning at 11 o'clock, and rarely left it before 4 in the afternoon. Mr. Morgan is a very vigorous man. He walks with a sure, swift step, opens his carriage door with a sharp twist of his powerful wrist and closes it with a bang. When he leaves his office in Broad street he goes directly to his Madison avenue home. Here he spends his evenings with a few favorite friends. He is rarely seen at the clubs.

Hair and Hats.

There is a respectable and perfectly normal physician living here named Dr. J. Conger Bryan, who says that the human race is destined to baldness unless the practice of wearing stiff felt hats is abandoned. He himself wears a straw hat all the year around, and he sports a luxuriant mat of thatch to prove that the straw hat is a hair grower. Dr. Bryan believes his remedy for baldness should be worn the year around. When the mercury crawls down around the zero mark Dr. Bryan promises to make Fifth avenue and Broadway sit up and take notice of him this winter. Even now he attracts attention from the derby-hatted populace as he strolls along the streets.

Tailor-Made Kings Vanish.

One reason why so little is heard of swell dressers these days is that there are too many of them. New York, instead of having a "King of Dudes," as in the old days, now has a "kingdom" of dudes. There are 50,000 men in New York who dress as well to-day as E. Berry Wall, Reginald Ronalds, Sito Onativia, Fred Gebhard, Harry Lehr and the dozen others whose names have from time to time been identified with all that is ultra in clothes. No longer does the possession of 200 pairs of trousers give a man any distinction over his fellows. The paying of \$15,000 a year for clothes has become too common for that.

There will be no great departure in the style of men's hats this fall. The derby will be all but universal, and so little change can be observed that one might almost take out his last year's hat and wear it without being caught. The brim will be thin and finely curled, the binding will be a bit narrower and of the best texture, and the band will not be so deep. In the general architecture the hat will suggest nativeness. Soft hats of all the dark colors will be worn to some extent, but those ridiculous, diffusive, girly-boy tiles with the variegated ribbon and bike track crowns are getting the go-by from dealers who lay claim to taste.

Joining the Horned Unicorn.

That old prejudice against women who adopt the stage for a livelihood seems to be rapidly disappearing despite the fact that whenever a millionaire marries an ex-chorus girl there is heap big talk about it in the papers. The niece of ex-President McKinley and the niece of President Roosevelt are on the stage. The daughters of three governors are engaged to play in New York this season, and there are any number of society girls with rich papas who have not "accepted," but begged for places on the stage. There are two girls in Joe Weber's company who stand to win a million when their papas die and who each receive a peagun check for a hundred every week while they are performing for forty a week in the famous old music hall at Broadway and Twenty-ninth street.

Dart Hits a Genius.

Josef Hofmann, who has just married Mrs. George Eustis, made her acquaintance when, at the close of his season, he went for a stay at Hempstead. There he met the women of the Long Island set, and his engagement followed. He is not the first foreign pianist to marry a New York woman of position. The late Franz Rummel met and married here Miss Morse, a daughter of the inventor of the telegraph. Richard Hoffman, who came here from England to tour with Jenny Lind, married a daughter of the Lamson family, and only last winter Ernest Schilling was married to Miss Draper. No other musicians have broken into families of wealth and position so readily as the pianists.

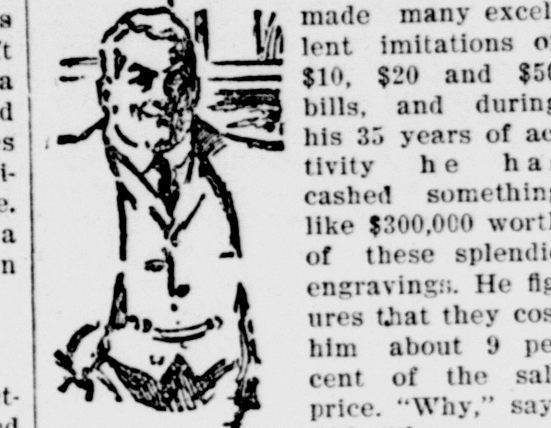
Artists and Their Pay.

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average draughtsman and expert designer in the large offices, together with the revenues derived by country architects, the general average is about \$1,500 a year. While the mining and civil engineers go the architect about \$500 a year better, they are often idle from the nature of their work.

On Graft de Luxe.

Old Bill Brockway, the distinguished counterfeiter, is much displeased that an imputation has been cast upon his honesty by the police of this city. Mr. Brockway has made many excellent imitations of \$10, \$20 and \$50 bills, and during his 35 years of activity he has cashed something like \$300,000 worth of these splendid engravings. He figures that they cost him about 9 per cent of the sale price. "Why," says Bill, "there are a lot of grafters here working under the protection of the law who do not give half that value for their product. Take the de luxe editions, for example. The publishers of these books never put in over 10 per cent on the dollar, and yet a lot of suckers are still buying them at a 90 per cent advance on the cost price. If I had my life to live over again" (Bill is 80) "I would go into the de luxe editions and quit this vulgar counterfeiting business."



Stairways Vanishing.
The staircase seems to have become a veriform appendix in all the modern apartment houses in New York. Many tenants live in houses for months without even knowing the exact location of this once universal means of ascending and descending. The question with builders seems to be how little space can be given to the stairs compatible with the building laws. There are 15-story buildings here which have three and four elevators and a single spiral staircase about four feet wide. Sometimes the dust gathers heavily on the small state steps and reminds the occasional pedestrian of the new order of things.

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Would Foster Love of Beauty.

Prof. W. T. Foster of Bowdoin college is urging that all the New England colleges and prep-story schools should allow credit toward the A. B. degree for artistic studies, such as music, painting, sculpture, etc., on the ground that they provide a thorough and wise training of the senses and are essential to the development of character and taste. He believes that training for citizenship should include an appreciation of the beautiful.

Preferred to Sleep.

The business office of a big Park row newspaper recently received a package containing a pocketbook. There was \$1,100 in it and it had been advertised for. The anonymous sender explained that he had held on to his prize for ten days and then concluded the money would not do him any good, since he had spent five sleepless nights over it.

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TRACTS IN MANY LANGUAGES

Feats of Printing Done Here for Missionary Work Abroad.

One of the most difficult of all publishing tasks is accomplished by the American Tract society, which prints not only tracts, but also books in native African languages such as Mpongwe, Bulu, Umbundu, Benga and Fang. Inasmuch as these tongues, though spoken by millions of blacks, were not written—or, at all events, were not written until recently—the problem of rendering such works as the "Pilgrim's Progress" into their vernacular in printed form is beset by many obstacles.

For the copy dependence must be had upon the missionaries, who write it out in typescript. It has to be sent all the way to New York to be set up in type, and, as a matter of course, care must be taken that it shall be as close to perfect accuracy as possible.

The languages are not understood either by the men who set the type or by the proofreaders, and so the editors, who are equally ignorant on the subject, must follow copy slavishly. As far as possible the typewritten words represent phonetically the spoken words as uttered by the natives.

Having thus translated their vocal speech into print the missionaries have taught the blacks to read their own languages, an accomplishment which has helped greatly in their mental and moral elevation. They have not only simple dictionaries, but also primers illustrated with excellent woodcuts.—New York Sun.

Too Thirsty to Stay Alive.

Some years ago, at the time Gen. Wm. A. Bancroft was colonel of the Fifth Massachusetts regiment was camped at South Farmingham. A private in one of the companies, named Faught, was one day on guard. Before going on post at 11 p. m. he drank a number of glasses of rum punch.

While on post he fell asleep, and was found sleeping by the relief. He was taken to the guard house, and in the morning was brought before Col. Bancroft.

The colonel said in a stern voice: "Private Faught, do you realize that it is a very serious offence to sleep while on post? Why, if this were in time of war, in his loudest tones, 'you would shot for sleeping on post.'"

"As I am very thirsty, sir, kindly consider me shot."

He then faced about and started to leave. He was brought back, severely reprimanded, and returned to the guard house. It was very hard for the officers present to hide their smiles at the look on the colonel's face.

Cleveland and the Women.

When Grover Cleveland was president a young woman from Cleveland, who had been a schoolmate of the president's wife, was a guest at the White House. A matter of large public moment was up for the president's decision, and Mrs. Cleveland and her guest brought it up for discussion at the breakfast table.

Their views were of the radical, persuasive order, and were quite emphatically expressed. Mr. Cleveland listened with an amused smile behind his newspaper. Finally the girl from Ohio said to him:

"Now, Mr. President, you have heard our views. Are you prepared to inkorse them?"

The president folded his paper and arose.

"You girls," he said, with a smile, "can beat me all to pieces in millinery and dressmaking. But when it comes to my end of the house, I feel under obligations to do my own thinking."—New York Tribune.

Suzannah.

When de dew on de grass am a-fallin',
An' de stahs am a-twinklin', too,
O, it's den dat meh heah am a-callin',
O, meh h't' vallah gal, fuh yo',
Suzannah. O-o-o Suzannah,
Meh heah am a-callin' yo'.

Now de light's fallin' soft on de rivah,
Fom de moon high up in de sky,
An' I's watchin' de watch a-quivah,
Ez de night wind goes passin' by;
Suzannah. O-o-o Suzannah,
De night wind's a-passin' by.

O, de katydid done stop a-singin'
Caze de glowworm's he shine so bright
On de bundle of love yo's a-bringin'
Tuh yo' own niggah boy dis night;
Suzannah. O-o-o Suzannah,
Yo' bundle of love dis night.

Now de fishflies am shinin' out brightah,
An' dey's liftin' dey night lamps high,
Jes' tuh make all de pathway lightah,
Caze dey know yo's a-drawin' nigh,
Suzannah. O-o-o Suzannah,
Dey knows yo's a-drawin' nigh.

Fom de ole grapevine swing in de thicket
I jes' stretch me ahms to'ds yo',
An' meh heah it do sing wid de cricket,
Caze I want yo', meh honey,
Suzannah. O-o-o Suzannah,
I reckon yo' wants me, too.
—Ella Middleton Tybout in Lippincott's.

Where Words Fail.

"What is the color 'chatain'?" a certain young man asked a venerable Creole lady, whose hair was white as snow.

She rummaged through her mind for terms of explanation, being a little liable to forget English words at times.

Finally, however, she replied: "Chatain, dat is the color of my hair, you understand, when I was young!"

And then she smiled with satisfaction at the exact manner in which she had explained the term, while the questioner still wondered what color "chatain" was.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Satisfied.

"Don't see why you're so smitten with her."

"Why, because she's so deucedly pretty."

"Beauty's only skin deep."

"Well, great Scott! I'm no cannibal. That's deep enough for me!"

PECK'S BAD BOY WITH THE CIRCUS

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The Rogue Elephant Creates a Panic and Pa Proves Himself a Hero—The Bad Boy Gets Scolded for "Being Tough"—He Finds That Audiences Like Accidents.

May 6.—We had the worst time at Akron last week and pa proved himself a hero, though he was swatted good by the rogue elephant before he got his second wind and went for the animal. We have a male elephant that is almost human, 'cause he gets on a tear about once a month, like a regular ugly husband. You can't tell when his mind is in condition for running amuck, but suddenly he will whoop like a drunken man, strike his poor patient wife over the back with his trunk and grab her tail and try to

so the seeds and juice and pulp run down pa's shirt and neck, and he looked as though murder had been committed, but pa wiped his face on his shirt sleeve and showed game, because he kept mauling Bolivar with the hook, Bolivar broke up a millinery store by throwing tomatoes at the women in the windows, and he went into a yard where a woman was washing and squirted the bluing water all over the woman, and all over pa, and then he chewed the clothes on the line, and drove the family over the fence.

You'd a died to see those milliners climb over a high board fence head first, and Bolivar actually seemed to laugh. Bolivar run one of his tusks through a barrel of gasoline, and it run out on the street car track, and an electric spark set it on fire, and the fire department turned out, but the engines had to all go around Bolivar, 'cause he wouldn't budge an inch, but seemed to say: "Let 'er rip, boys; this is the Fourth of July."

The circus men began to come with ropes and club, to tie Bolivar and throw him, but he escaped into a side street and watched the engines put out the fire, and he swung around with his trunk and his tusks and wouldn't let anyone come near him but pa with the hook, and he seemed to enjoy the prodding, but I guess that gave him courage to keep on doing things.

The principal proprietor of the show

rag carpet, and said: "Eat it, you old catamaran, or I'll kill you" and Bolivar was so scared of pa he eat the carpet, which shows the power of brain over avordupois, pa says.

The regular keeper of Bolivar heard he was on the rampage, and he came back on the run to conquer him, after pa had got him back in the tent, but Bolivar looked at him with a faraway look in his eyes, as much as to say: "Seems to me I have met you somewhere before, but a new king has been crowned," and he took his old keeper by the back of his coat and threw him toward the monkey cage. The monkeys gave the keeper the laugh, and Bolivar put his trunk lovingly on pa's shoulder, and seemed to say: "Old man, you are it, from this time out." Pa looked proud, and the old keeper looked sick. The people in the show are going to present pa with a loving cup, and I guess he can run the menagerie part of the show.

When the freaks heard of pa's bravery, the fat woman and the bearded lady wanted to hug pa, but pa waved them away, and said he liked the elephant business best.

May 7.—I used to think that if I could belong to a circus, and go away with it when it left the town I lived in, that it would be pretty near going to heaven. I used to hope for the time when I would get nerve enough to run away, and go with a circus, and wear a dirty shirt, and be around a tent and wash off the legs of a spotted horse with castile soap, and when people gathered about me to watch the proceedings, to look tough and tell them in a hoarse voice way down my throat, sort of husky from sleeping in the wet straw with the spotted horse, that they must go on about their business, and not disturb the horse.

I had thought if I should run away and go with a circus, some day, when I got far enough away from na, that I would up and swear, and be tough, and when I came home in the fall, and the neighbor boys would come around me, I would chew tobacco and tell them of the joys of circus life. Well, maybe I will some day, but at present I am sleepy all the time.

We have showed six times the last week, and traveled a thousand miles, and it seems as though there is nothing doing but putting up and taking down tents, and going to and from the cars, and you can't be tough, 'cause there is always some boss around to tell you to look pleasant if you are cross, and to tell you to change your shirt or get out of the show, and if you swear at anything you are called down.

Pa and I put in a good deal of time during the afternoon and evening performances, in the dressing room, near the door leading to the main tent. That is the nearest to being in an insane asylum of any place I was ever in. The performers get ready for their several acts, in bunches or families, all in one spot, and they act serious and jaw each other, and each bunch acts as though their act was all there was to the show, and if it was cut out for any reason, the show would have to lay up for the season, when in fact each one is only a cog in the great wheel, and if one cog should slip, the wheel would turn just the same. These people never smile before they go in the ring, but just act as though too much depended on them to crack a smile. When a bunch is called to go in the ring, they all look at each other as though it was the parting of the ways, and they clasp hands and go out of the dressing room as though walking on eggs. When they get in the ring they look around to see if all eyes are upon them, and how to people who are looking at something going on in another ring, and who don't see them, and then they go through their performance with everybody looking somewhere else.

When the act is over the audience seems glad, and clap hands because they are polite, and it don't cost anything to clap hands, and the performers turn some more flip flaps, and go running out to the dressing room, and take a peek back into the big tent as though expecting an encore, but the audience has forgotten them and is looking for the next mess of performers, and the ones who have just been in go and lie down on straw and wonder if they can hit the treasurer for an advance on their salaries, so they can go to a beer garden and forget it all.

An average audience never gets its money's worth unless some one is hurt doing some daring act. Pa suggested that they have some one pretend to be hurt in every act, and have them picked up and carried out on stretchers with doctors wearing red crosses on their arms, in attendance, giving medicine and restoratives. The show tried it at Bucyrus, O., and had seven men and two women injured so they had to be carried out, and the audience went wild, and almost mobbed the dressing room, to see the doctors operate on the injured. It was such a great success that next week we are going to put in an automobile ambulance and have an operating table in the dressing room with a gauze screen so the audiences can see us cut off legs like they do in a hospital. Maybe we shall put in a dissecting room if the people seem to demand it.

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PA TURNED THE COCK OF THE EXTINGUISHER AND POINTED THE NOZZLE AT BOLIVAR'S HEAD.

side of the menagerie tent, and seemed to say to the other animals: "Come on, boys; there is going to be something doing," and the animals all set up a howl in their own language, as though they were saying: "Whooper up, old man, and don't let them monkey with you."

Bolivar went out in the street and mowed a wide swath, with pa after him, hooking him all the time, but he paid no attention to pa. He put his head under the side of a street car loaded with negroes that had come to see the show, dressed in their Sunday clothes, and tipped the car over on the side, and the negroes crawled through the windows and went uptown yelling murder, while Bolivar went in front of a grocery store where there was a pile of watermelons, and began to throw them at the people in the street, and the negroes thought an elephant was not so bad, so they came back and had a feast.

Pa tried to head off Bolivar at the grocery, but Bolivar took half a watermelon and put the red side on top of pa's head, and squashed it down

couldn't take a joke, and was going to start off again, but pa kept squirting, and when the chemical water began to eat into Bolivar's hide, the big animal weakened, and trumpeted in token of surrender, and kneeled down in front of pa, and finally got down so pa could get on his back, and pa took the hook and hooked it in the flap of Bolivar's ear, where is a tender spot, and he told Bolivar to get up and go back to the tent, and Bolivar was as meek as a lamb, and he got up, with pa on his back, and the fire extinguisher on pa's back, and marched back to the tent, through the hole he had made coming out. Thousands of people followed, and cheered pa, and when they got in the tent pa said to the principal owner of the show, who had made fun of him: "Here's your elephant, and whenever any of your old animals get on the warpath, and you want 'em rounded up, don't forget my number, 'cause I can knock the spots out of any animal except a giraffe." The crowd cheered pa again and he got down off the elephant, took off his fire extinguisher, and handed Bolivar a piece of